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# Morning Highlights

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## AREAS OF ALASKA WITH HIGHER POTENTIAL FOR WILDLAND FIRES

Red Flag Warnings are in effect for strong winds in the Deltana and Tanana Flats, Upper Tanana Valley, Fortymile Country, and northeastern slopes of the eastern Alaska Range. A Red Flag warning means that conditions are occurring or are expected to occur which could lead to the development of large wildland fires, should they be caused by lightning or humans. Permitted burning has been suspended in the Fairbanks, Delta and Tok areas. Please contact your local Alaska Division of Forestry office for additional information (details below under "Burn Permits").

## STATE WILDLAND FIRE PREVENTION AND PREPAREDNESS WEEK

Governor Sarah Palin proclaimed the week of May 12-18, 2008 as Wildland Fire Prevention and Preparedness Week. In her proclamation Palin states, "Public awareness of wildland fire prevention practices and preparedness measures is essential for public safety." The Governor encourages all citizens to partake this week in individual efforts and community programs that reduce the risk and threat of wildland fire to their homes, property and communities. For information on how to protect your home and property, please visit:

<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/afs/organization/mgmtplan/firewise.php>

## BLM ALASKA FIRE SERVICE PRESCRIBED BURNING UPDATE

Favorable weather conditions over the weekend allowed Alaska Fire Service personnel to conduct prescribed burns on the Chena Lakes Flood Control Project (in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers); in sections of the Donnelly Training Area (in conjunction with the U.S. Army Alaska [USARAK]), near Delta Junction; and on Fort Richardson (in conjunction with USARAK). More prescribed burning is planned for each of these areas and news release updates may be found on the front page of the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center website:

<http://fire.ak.blm.gov>.

## BURN PERMITS

Burn permits are issued by the Alaska Division of Forestry. To obtain burn permits and information, please contact your local Division of Forestry office:

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Fairbanks Area:	907-451-2626
Delta Area:	907-895-2106
Tok Area:	907-883-5134
Mat-Su District:	907-761-6312
Kenai-Kodiak Area:	907-260-4269
Valdez/ Copper River Area:	907-822-5536
Northern Southeast Area (Skagway/ Haines):	907-766-2120

For additional State of Alaska burn permit information, please visit:  
<http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/burnpermits.htm>

*\*In Anchorage, please contact the Anchorage Fire Department's Wildfire Mitigation Office at 267-5020.*

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### ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/>
  - Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
  - Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
- National Fire Situation: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>.
- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/02firewise.pdf>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov/>
- Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): <http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- National Parks Service: <http://www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm>
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire/>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- Anchorage Fire Department: [www.muni.org/fire](http://www.muni.org/fire)
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov/>

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